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(57) Abstract

The present invention involves compositions and methods for enhancing the bioavailability of therapeutic agents. In particular, the bioavailability of the therapeutic agent is enhanced by combining the agent with an invasion proficient protein, wherein the protein facilities the transport of the therapeutic agent across the gastrointestinal barrier.

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COMPOSITIONS FOR INCREASED BIOAVAILABILITY OF ORALLY DELIVERED THERAPEUTIC AGENTS

5 FIELD OF THE INVENTION

The present invention relates to the enhancement of the bioavailability of orally delivered therapeutic agents. In particular, the invention involves 10 improving the bioavailability of therapeutic agents by combining them with a suitable transport promoter which is capable of facilitating the penetration of the therapeutic agent across epithelial and endothelial cell barriers. The transport promoter of the present invention is preferably an invasion proficient bacterial coat protein which, when combined with a therapeutic agent, can effectuate the penetration of the therapeutic agent through the gastrointestinal lining.

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BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

The common routes of therapeutic agent 25 administration are enteral (oral) and parental (intravenous, subcutaneous, and intramuscular) routes of administration. The intravenous route is advantageous for emergency use when a very rapid and predictable increase in blood level of the therapeutic agent is necessary. In addition, the intravenous 30 route allows for easy dosage adjustments and is useful for administering large volumes of a drug. Intravenous drug administration, however, has several limitations. One problem is the risk of adverse effects resulting from the rapid accumulation of a 35 high concentration of the therapeutic agent in plasma

and/or tissues. Also, repeated injections by the intravenous route may cause discomfort to the patient. In addition, the delivery is inconvenient as often it is administered by a health care provider.

The oral administration of a therapeutic agent is 5 generally more convenient, economical and acceptable. Oral delivery is by far the most popular delivery method where the drug is intended to be absorbed by the gastrointestinal tract. There are, however, several problems associated with the oral delivery of 10 therapeutic agents. For example, oral administration is limited when the therapeutic agent is not efficiently absorbed by the gastrointestinal tract. Unlike the administration of a therapeutic agent by injection, which circumvents the highly protective 15 barriers of the human body, the absorption of a therapeutic agent by the gastrointestinal tract may be inefficient for poorly soluble, slowly absorbed, or unstable therapeutic preparations. As a result, many important therapeutic agents, which are not 20 effectively absorbed when administered orally, are currently delivered by injection.

In particular, the delivery of polypeptide and protein therapeutic agents via the gastrointestinal tract is especially difficult because of the inherent 25 instability of such materials and the poor permeability of the intestinal mucosa to high molecular weight substances. The gastrointestine is an organ of the body that is specifically developed to physically, chemically and enzymatically break down 30 ingested nutrients. The gastrointestine is also responsible for the uptake of nutrients into the body and for the elimination of waste. The gastrointestinal tract includes the stomach and intestine. The stomach is specifically designed for the digestion 35 of nutrients, the stimulation of other regions of the

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gut to secrete, the storage of food, and the release of chyme into the intestine at a controlled rate. Nutrient uptake is not an important function of the stomach. The small intestine includes the duodenum, jejunum and ileum. Distal to the stomach is the duodenum, where neutralization of the acidic chyme occurs. Surfactants for lipid digestion and profeases for protein breakdown are also secreted into the duodenum. There is little absorption in this section of the gut. Uptake of the nutrient breakdown products mainly occurs in the lower small intestine: the jejunum and the ileum are 2.8 meters and 4.2 meters in length respectively, and have a combined surface area of 460 m².

The large intestine, which is composed of the cecum and the colon, is responsible for the storage of waste, and also for water and salt balance. There is little enzyme activity in this section of the gut, and it is the least permeable section of the gastrointestinal tract.

The majority of the surface of the small and large intestine is lined by a layer of epithelial cells called the enterocytes, which are specialized villus absorptive cells. The lining of the gut is also composed of a mucus lining which acts as an unstirred water layer (1). The mucus is a barrier to macromolecules with a molecular weight greater than 17 KDa (2). The enterocyte lining forms a tight lipid barrier to peptides having a molecular weight as low as 500 Da (3). Therefore, the lining of the gut is composed of an efficient barrier to both lipophilic and hydrophilic molecules due to the mucus and the enterocyte linings, respectively. The oral acministration of a large, macromolecular therapeutic agent is, therefore, very limited by the barrier effect of the gastrointestinal lining.

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certainly true of the recombinant therapeutic proteins.

The gastrointestinal tract, however, cannot be a complete barrier to all macromolecules because many macromolecules are required for nutrient intake.

These include, among others, amino acids, glucose and vitamins. For such molecules, specific transport mechanisms exist. Amino acids and glucose are taken up by transporters situated in the lumenal or apical membrane domains of the enterocytes. Receptors for vitamin uptake are also present in the apical domain of the enterocyte lining.

In addition, certain microorganisms, including both viruses (<100 nm in diameter) and bacteria (>1µm in diameter), are able to invade the body from the gut by crossing the epithelial barrier. Certain cells of the immune system, including neutrophils and macrophages, are also able to permeate both epithelial and endothelial barriers.

Bacteria that invade the enterocyte barrier 20 include, Yersinia, Salmonella, Shigella and Listeria. In the case of Yersinia, the method of attachment to the cell surface and invasion into the cell has been characterized. In Yersinia pseudotuberculosis and in Yersinia enterocolitica, a protein termed invasin 25 (INV) is expressed on the surface of the bacteria. has been shown that the INV protein is able to bind to the β_1 integrin family of receptors (4, 5). The integrin receptor family belongs to a group of molecules termed the adhesion receptors and is 30 involved in promoting cell attachment to the extracellular matrix (6). Following binding of the INV protein to the cell, internalization of the protein occurs (7). This event has been demonstrated in HEp-2 cells, which are epithelial-like cells from 35 the larynx, and in some other epithelial cells. The

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invasion event has not been demonstrated in the enterocyte cells.

Another invasion-mediating protein identified in Yersinia enterocolitica has been termed the AIL protein (for attachment-invasion-locus) (8). The receptor utilized by this protein is as yet unknown, and as with INV, the binding and invasion event has not been demonstrated for gut epithelium.

In vivo studies have shown that Yersinia can
invade the body from the gut through the Peyers
Patches (9, 10). No studies have shown that the INV
and AIL proteins are able to mediate binding and
invasion of the enterocytes lining the gut.

The delivery of a therapeutic agent through the
enterocyte lining would be preferable, as compared to
Peyers Patch uptake, because the latter are known to
be variable from species to species and between
individuals of the same species. In addition,
materials delivered through the Peyers Patch are more
effectively delivered as an antigen.

CURRENT METHODS OF DRUG DELIVERY

The efficacy of an orally administered

therapeutic agent depends on the agent being absorbed from the gastrointestinal tract into the circulation. The permeability barrier of the gut epithelium is perhaps the most limiting factor to the reproducible oral absorption of therapeutic agents.

One previous attempt to circumvent non-parental bioavailability problems involved intranasal administration of a therapeutic agent. Investigators have also attempted to pass therapeutic agents across the skin through the use of chelating agents, bile salts and surfactants. Similar materials have been used to increase the absorption of therapeutic agents

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from the gastrointestinal tract (11). Other investigators have attempted to increase bioavailability from the gastrointestinal tract through the use of liposome-entrapped therapeutic agents.

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Liposomes have also been used as a means for target-specific delivery of an encapsulated biologically active material. Liposomes have been attached to materials such as viral membrane proteins, 10 antibodies, streptavidin, transferrin and other ligands as a means of directing the therapeutic agent to the target cell (12). The results of such delivery methods, however, have not demonstrated that the liposome is an effective means for promoting the 15 bioavailability of orally administered proteins. fact, liposomes alone or attached to such sitespecific ligands are unlikely to facilitate absorption of orally delivered agents because liposomes typically are degraded in the lumen of the gut.

Invasive microorganisms have been used to 20 transfer materials into host cells. Isberg et al. (13) describe the genetic transfer of INV or AIL genes into a microorganism to impart an invasive phenotype to that microorganism. The modified microorganism is then used as a vaccine to introduce a pathogen of 25 interest into a host cell. While this technique describes the introduction of exogenous TNV and AIL genes to impart an invasive capability on a microorganism, there is no provision for increasing the bioavailability of a therapeutic agent or 30 improving the transport of a therapeutic agent through a mucosal barrier.

Another delivery technique involves nanosphere and microsphere technology (14, 15). This technology is based upon the observed uptake of such microspheres into the body through the M cells of the Deyers

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Patches in the gastrointestinal tract. There is, however, no moiety involved that would enhance the uptake of such particles. The delivery of a therapeutic agent through the Peyers Patches is not an efficient way to orally deliver non-vaccine based therapeutics. A material delivered by this route may be presented to the body as an antigen, and this is not a desired attribute for a non-vaccine therapeutic agent.

10 Another previously available delivery technique involves the use of proteinoid technology (17). Orally administered delivery systems for insulin, heparin and physostigmine include the use of encapsulating spheres which are predominantly less 15 than 10 microns (μm) in diameter and made of artificial polypeptides. The proteinoids are intended to pass through the gastrointestinal mucosa and thereby deliver a therapeutic agent. One very apparent problem with this system is that the 20 protenoids release the drug component under neutral conditions. Because such conditions are found in the gut, especially in the lower small intestine (i.e., ileum), it would be expected that the proteinoids mainly would release the therapeutic agent into the 25 lumen of the gut rather than transport the therapeutic

Another drug delivery technique involves receptor-mediated transcytosis, wherein the amino acid sequences of various growth factors are incorporated into the system (i.e., epidermal growth factor and transforming growth factor alpha) (48). Chimeric molecules or fusion peptides are formed by conjugating the growth factor to a desired protein. The proposed chimeric molecules are transcytosed across epithelial cells via an interaction with growth factor receptors. The chimeric molecule system, however, fails to

agent across the gastrointestinal lining.

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provide for the protection of the therapeutic against the gut environment. Moreover, this delivery technique would be dependent on a receptor system which is normally present at low levels on the apical or lumenal domain of the enterocyte. The binding and uptake of growth factors from the lumen of the gut is a non-physiological event.

Notwithstanding the above-noted developments in the arts of cell targeting and drug delivery, it is clear that there is a need for novel compositions which enhance the bioavailability of an orally delivered therapeutic agent. It is not sufficient to merely bind the drug to a target cell.

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

A major problem associated with the oral delivery of a therapeutic agent is the hostile environment of the gut, especially to protein and peptide therapeutics. Another problem is the impermeability of the mucosal barrier in the gut, especially to large molecular weight materials.

It is an object of the present invention to increase the bioavailability of orally delivered therapeutic agents, particularly polypeptides and proteins, by providing for the improved transport of such therapeutics across the body's epithelial barriers. It is a further object of the present invention to provide a delivery system wherein the delivery means or transport enhancer is not readily subject to degradation in the gut or prone to the early release of the biologically active material.

It is another object of the present invention to provide a transport enhancer which is not subject to

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the low residency time of the proteinoids at the mucosal surface.

The present invention is based on the finding that compositions containing INV or AIL invasive proteins are able to cross the cells of the gastrointestinal tract through an internalization and transcytosis event. This was a novel observation and formed the basis of the current invention concerning the delivery of therapeutic agents.

The present invention provides a delivery system, involving a therapeutic agent and an invasion proficient bacterial protein which transports the therapeutic agent across the gastrointestinal membrane barrier, thereby increasing the oral bioavailability of that agent. The system may optionally include a

carrier component such as a liposome or polymer-based particle. In an alternate embodiment, the pharmaceutical composition may involve a fusion protein including the therapeutic moiety and an invasion proficient bacterial protein to effect

delivery of the composition across the gastrointestinal tract. In yet another embodiment, the therapeutic moiety and invasion proficient protein may be linked by a degradable peptide sequence.

25 The delivery system of the present invention provides a composition that is stable in the gut, enhances the uptake of the therapeutic moiety and is expected to cross both the enterocytes and the M cells of the Peyers patches. The system provides an increase in bioavailability as well as a clear advantage over existing particle-based systems that are dependent on non-specific uptake through the antigen-presenting M cells. By increasing the bioavailability of intact and active polypeptide and protein therapeutic agents, the present invention also obviates the need for the parenteral administration of

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such therapeutic agents which are otherwise degraded in the gut or relatively unable to cross the gastrointestinal barrier.

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DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Figure 1 illustrates the oligonucleotide and amino acid sequences of invasin (INV) protein (SEQ ID NO:1).

Figure 2 illustrates the oligonucleotide and amino acid sequences of attachment-invasion-locus (AIL) protein (SEQ ID NO:2).

Figure 3 illustrates the oligonucleotide and amino acid sequences of maltose binding protein (MBP) (SEQ ID NO:3).

Figure 4 illustrates the effect of invasin transfection and expression on the binding of *E. coli* to the human enterocyte Caco-2 cell line.

20 Figure 5 illustrates the effect of invasin transfection and expression on the internalization of E. coli into the human enterocyte Caco-2 cell line.

Figure 6 illustrates the effect of AILtransfection and expression on the binding of *E. coli* to the human enterocyte Caco-2 cell line.

Figure 7 illustrates the effect of AILtransfection and expression on the internalization of E. coli into the human enterocyte Caco-2 cell line.

Figure 8 summarizes a nine hour study showing the effect of both INV- and AIL-transfection and expression on the internalization of *E. coli* into the non-polarized human enterocyte cell line.

Figure 9 illustrates the polarity of receptor distribution in Caco-2 monolayers grown on Transwell-COL inserts. The distribution of the fibronectin, epidermal growth factor (EGF), taurocholic acid (TA)

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and intrinsic factor-vitamin B12 complex (IF-VB12) receptors are shown.

Figure 10 illustrates the surface binding of INVand AIL-transfected *E. coli* to polarized Caco-2 cell monolayers.

Figure 11 illustrates the internalization of INVand AIL-transfected *E. coli* into polarized Caco-2 cell monolayers.

Figure 12 illustrates the time course of

10 trancytosis of INV- and AIL-transfected *E. coli* across the polarized Caco-2 cell monolayers.

Figure 13 illustrates specificity of the binding of radiolabelled MBP-INV to the non-polarized Caco-2 cell line.

15 Figure 14 illustrates the amino acid sequence of a fusion protein of invasin and maltose binding protein (SEQ ID NO:4) using the 192 amino acids from the C-terminal end of INV from Y. pseudotuberculosis.

Figure 15 illustrates the amino acid sequence of a fusion protein of attachment-invasion-locus protein and maltose binding protein (SEQ ID NO:5).

Figure 16 illustrates the liposome uptake by Caco-2 cells with and without conjugation to MBP-INV.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE INVENTION

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It is known that many bacteria, viruses and cells of the immune system are able to permeate the epithelial and endothelial barriers of the body through the expression of integral or peripheral membrane proteins. Current investigations of bacterial proteins have revealed at least two proteins

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that appear to be involved in the invasion of bacteria into the human host. These invasive proteins have been termed invasin (INV) and attachment-invasion-locus (AIL) proteins. Both proteins have been cloned from Yersinia enterocolitica, although INV is also known to exist with large homology in Y. pseudo-tuberculosis.

The present invention involves the discovery that the INV and AIL proteins may be used to mediate the transport of therapeutic compositions, including large particles (approximately 1 µm), across the polarized human enterocyte, thereby enhancing the penetration or passage of a therapeutic composition across the gastrointestinal barrier. Moreover, it has been determined that such invasion proteins can be removed from their natural bacterial expression system yet retain the ability to bind the human enterocyte.

These findings lead to the development of the present oral delivery system based upon the 20 combination of a therapeutic agent with the INV or AIL protein or derivatives thereof. The bacterial invasion proteins bind to receptors expressed through the apical or luminal domains of the enterocytes or M cells of the Peyers Patches. In this way, INV and AIL act as bioadhesive agents and thereby increase the 25 residence time of the pharmaceutical composition in the gut. This in itself can increase the bioavailability of the therapeutic agent by promoting uptake of the therapeutic agent. It was further determined, however, that INV and AIL also mediate the 30 movement of the composition either paracellularly or transcellularly across the gastrointestinal tract, and thereby facilitate the transport of the therapeutic agent across the mucosal barrier. The bacterial invasion proteins may also be used for increasing drug 35 transport through other non-invasive routes where the

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include nasal, ocular, rectal, vaginal, pulmonary and transdermal routes of administration.

In one embodiment of the present invention, the 5 bacterial invasion protein is indirectly associated with the therapeutic agent through a linking means such as a polymer chain, or directly associated with the therapeutic agent by a chemical means. alternative embodiment of the present invention is 10 based upon the incorporation of a therapeutic agent into or onto a carrier that is associated with the bacterial invasion protein, such as INV and AIL or fragments or derivatives thereof. The bacterial invasion protein might be bound to, encapsulated 15 within, incorporated in the structure of, or merely combined with the carrier component. Microparticles and liposomes are exemplary of the carrier component in such a delivery system.

The terms "therapeutic agent", "pharmaceutical",
"biologically active material" and "drug" may be used
interchangeably, and as used herein, preferably
include proteins, hormones and/or medicinal peptides
useful for treating a medical or veterinary disorder,
preventing a medical or veterinary disorder, or
regulating the physiology of a human being or animal.
Suitable therapeutic agents include cytokines, as well
as a wide range of cytotoxic drugs, muscle relaxants,
antihypertensives, analgesics, steroids, vitamins,
sedatives and hypnotics, antibiotics, chemotherapeutic
agents, prostaglandins and radiopharmaceuticals.

The terms "transport enhancer", "transporting ligand" and "ligand" may be used interchangeably, and as used herein, preferably include bacterial protein molecules which, when conjugated to a therapeutic agent, are capable of increasing the delivery of the

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therapeutic agent across a mucosal membrane such as
the gastrointestinal barrier. In preferred
embodiments, "transport enhancer" is intended to
include invasion proficient bacterial coat proteins,
or fragments or analogs thereof. Such bacterial
invasion proteins may be isolated from bacterial
cultures or can be produced by known recombinant or
synthetic techniques. Methods of isolating and
purifying MBP-INV fusion proteins have previously been
described (17, 18), but they have not previously been
used in the compositions and methods and of the
present invention.

In its basic form, the drug delivery system of the present invention is composed of a transport 15 enhancer and the desired therapeutic agent. alternate form, the drug delivery system includes an additional component: a carrier moiety. Thus, the pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention may include a transport enhancer such as a bacterial 20 invasion protein. The transport enhancer is associated with or attached to a carrier component, which in preferred embodiments include latex microspheres or liposomes such as those composed of dipalmitoylphosphatidyl-ethanolamine (DPPC):cholesterol (chol):N-glutaryl-dioleoylphosphatidylethanolamine (NG-DOPE). The therapeutic agent can be incorporated into or onto the carrier by various methods known in the art or it may be attached to or associated with the transport enhancer. 30

Exemplary transport enhancers include invasion proficient bacterial proteins such as INV and AIL. Exemplary amino acid and nucleotide sequences of the INV and AIL proteins are illustrated in Figures 1 and 2, respectively, as well as Sequence ID NOs:1 and 2. INV, an 835 amino acid single chain polypeotide, has

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been well characterized in the art (20). AIL, a 162 amino acid single chain polypeptide, has also been well characterized in the art (21).

The receptor binding region of INV involves the 192 amino acids at the C-terminal end of the protein (17). This region has been shown to retain the binding affinity of the bacterial invasion protein, and therefore, any sequence containing this region would be suitable for use in the present invention.

The receptor binding regions of AIL which are necessary or sufficient for binding to the bacterial protein receptor would include all or some of the regions from the four extracellular loops (22). These regions include the following sequences:

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Loop 1 QSHVKENGYTLDNDPK

Loop 2 HQGYDFFYGSNKFGHGDVD

20 Loop 3 HGKVKASVFDESISASKT

Loop 4 KLDSIKVG

Invasion proficient bacterial proteins suitable

for use in the present invention may be derived from a
variety of DNA sequences encoding such proteins. The
selected DNA sequence may be a nucleic acid molecule
encoding the invasive protein (e.g., an INV or AIL
protein including sequences as set forth in Figures 1

and 2) or their complementary strands, naturally
occurring allelic variants, sequences capable of
hybridizing to a protein-coding area of such DNA
sequences under stringent conditions, and sequences
which, but for degeneration, would hybridize with the
protein-coding area of these defined DNA sequences.

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Suitable invasion proficient bacterial proteins also include derivatives of the amino acid sequences. Such derivatives could consist of a truncated form of the invasive protein, especially with deletion of the sequence from the amino terminal end of the INV protein as described above. Such small molecule derivatives of the bacterial proteins are advantageous in that they are less likely to be immunogenic.

Further modifications in the peptides or DNA sequences encoding the invasion proficient bacterial proteins can be made by one skilled in the art using known techniques. Modifications of interest in the protein sequences may include the replacement, insertion or deletion of a selected amino acid residue. Naturally occurring amino acids may be divided into groups based upon common side chain properties:

Hydrophobic: norleucine, Met, Ala,

20 Val, Leu, Ile

Neutral hydrophilic: Cys, Ser, Thr

Acidic: Asp, Glu

Basic: Asn, Gln, His, Lys,

Arg

Residues that influence

30 chain orientation: Gly, Pro

Aromatic: Trp, Tyr, Phe

Nonconservative substitutions will entail exchanging a member of one of these classes for another. Other exemplary substitutions are illustrated in Table 1.

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Table 1

5	Original	Exemplary	Preferred				
	Residue	Substitution	Substitution				
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. •	Ala (A)	Ile, Leu, Val	Val				
	Arg (R)	Asn, Gln, Lys	Lys				
10	Asn (N)	Arg, Gln, His, Lys	Gln				
	Asp (B)	Glu	Glu				
	Cys (C)	Ser	Ser				
	Gln (Q)	Asn	Asn				
	Glu (E)	Asp	Asp				
15	Gly (G)	Pro	Pro				
	His (H)	Arg, Asn, Gln, Lys	Arg				
	Ile (I)	Ala, Leu, Met,	Leu				
		Phe, Val,					
	norleucine						
20	Leu (L)	Ala, Ile, Met,	Ile				
		Phe, Val,					
		norleucine					
	Lys (K)	Arg, Asn, Gln	Arg				
	Met (M)	Ile, Leu, Phe	Leu				
25	Phe (F)	Ala, Ile, Leu, Val	Leu				
	Pro (P)	Gly	Gly				
	Ser (S)	Thr	Thr				
	Thr (T)	Ser	Ser				
	Trp (W)	Tyr	Tyr				
30	Tyr (Y)	Phe, Ser, Thr, Trp	Phe				
	Val (V)	Ala, Ile, Leu,	Leu				
		Met, Phe,					
		norleucine					

³⁵ Mutagenic techniques for making such replacements, insertions or deletions are well known to those

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skilled in the art (23) Conservative changes of 1 to 20 amino acids are preferred. Preferred peptides may be generated by proteolytic or glycolytic enzymes, or by direct chemical synthesis.

The selected bacterial adhesion protein may also be modified to facilitate production and handling of the composition. For example, the appropriate invasion protein or amino acid sequence may be produced to include an additional peptide or protein component, such as the maltose binding protein (MBP), which can enhance the purification of the protein from the recombinant expression system. Figure 3 (SEQ ID NO:3) depicts the amino acid (and nucleotide sequences of the maltose binding protein. Additions or substitutions to the INV and AIL amino acid sequences may also be used to facilitate the attachment or immobilization of the transport enhancer to or on the pharmaceutical agent or carrier component of the pharmaceutical composition, thereby promoting the retention of the transport enhancer. This could include, for example, the addition of a cysteine residue to the N-terminal end of the sequence to facilitate chemical conjugation by 'disulfide bridging, using for instance maleimide. Other deletions, substitutions or additions to the amino acid sequence may have the effect of stabilizing the transport enhancer in solution or in the gut or in the serum.

Suitable transport enhancers are selected from proteins or polypeptides which demonstrate an appropriate binding affinity for the receptors found in the cells that form the membrane barrier through which the pharmaceutical composition is to be transported. The amino acid sequences of the INV or AIL proteins demonstrate such a binding affinity for the receptors found in the gut. Preferably, the transport enhancer will also have some specificity for

the cell type that is being targeted. The amino acid sequences of the INV or AIL proteins demonstrate such a specificity for human enterocytes, which is advantageous for gastrointestinal delivery.

5 The novel compositions of the present invention can be combined with conventional pharmaceutically acceptable excipients suitable for the formulation of therapeutic compositions. As used herein, the term "pharmaceutically acceptable excipient" means a non-10 toxic, inert solid, semi-solid or liquid component included withing the pharmaceutical formulation. Such pharmaceutically acceptable carriers include, but are not limited to, fillers, diluents, encapsulating materials, solvents or formulation agents, involved in 15 facilitating the carrying or delivery of the pharmaceutical agent. Some examples of the materials that can serve as pharmaceutically acceptable excipients include: sugars, such as lactose, glucose and sucrose; starches such as corn starch and potato 20 starch; cellulose and its derivatives such as sodium carboxymethyl cellulose, ethyl cellulose and cellulose acetate; powdered tragacanth; malt; gelatin; talc; excipients such as cocoa butter and suppository waxes; oils such as peanut oil, cottonseed oil, safflower 25 oil, sesame oil, olive oil, corn oil and soybean oil; glycols, such as propylene glycol; polyols such as glycerin, sorbitol, mannitol and polyethylene glycol; esters such as ethyl oleate and ethyl laurate; agar; buffering agents such as magnesium hydroxide and 30 aluminum hydroxide; alginic acid; pyrogen-free water; isotonic saline; Ringer's solution; ethyl alcohol and phosphate buffer solutions, as well as other non-toxic compatible substances used in pharmaceutical formulations. Wetting agents, emulsifiers and 35 lubricants such as sodium lauryl sulfate and magnesium

stearate, as well as coloring agents, releasing

agents, coating agents, sweetening, flavoring agents, preservatives, stabilizers, extenders, antioxidents, surfactants, solubilizers, lubricants, suspending agents, binders, disintegrating agents, coating materials, etc., can also be present in the composition, according to the judgement of the formulator.

The excipient(s) must be "acceptable" in that the materials are compatible with the other components of the formulation and are not deleterious to the 10 recipient thereof; this includes materials suitable for use in contact with the tissues of human beings and animals without excessive toxicity, irritation, allergic response, or other problems or complications, commensurate with a reasonable benefit/risk ratio. 15 The compositions of the present invention which include excipients can be formulated according to known methods for the preparation of pharmaceutically useful compositions. Suitable methods are described, for example, in Remington's Pharmaceutical Sciences 20 The proportional ratio of therapeutic agent to excipient will naturally depend on the chemical nature, solubility, and stability of the active ingredient, as well as the dosage contemplated.

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The carrier component of the pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention may include polymeric microparticles or nanoparticles of different materials and of very different sizes. Such particles may have a membrane-walled form, in which the core material is concentrated as a reservoir, or a matrix form in which core material is uniformly dispersed. A variety of suitable materials exist ranging from non-degradable polymers, to biodegradable synthetic polymers, to modified natural products such as gums, starches, proteins, fats and waxes (24). The carriers

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may also include non-toxic, non-therapeutic components, such as liposomes, starburst polymers, microspheres, microemulsions, nanocapsules or macroemulsions to facilitate formulation, delivery, controlled release or sustained action of the therapeutic composition.

In one embodiment of the present invention, the carrier component of the pharmaceutical composition is a liposome. In an alternate embodiment, the carrier component may be based upon protenoid technology and consist of various amino acids (16).

Liposomes are most frequently prepared from phospholipids, but other molecules of similar molecular shape and dimensions and having both a hydrophobic and a hydrophilic moiety can be used. All such suitable liposome-forming molecules are referred to herein as lipids. One or more naturally occurring and/or synthetic lipid compounds may be used in the preparation of the liposomes.

Liposomes may be anionic, cationic or neutral depending upon the choice of the hydrophilic group. For instance, when a compound with a phosphate or a sulfate group is used, the resulting liposomes will be anionic. When amino-containing lipids are used, the liposomes will have a positive charge, and will be cationic liposomes. In addition, the pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention may include liposome carriers wherein the invasive protein has been incorporated into the liposome bilayer.

Representative suitable phospholipids or lipid compounds for forming liposomes include, but are not limited to, phospholipid-related materials such as phosphatidylcholine (lecithin), lysolecithin, lysophosphatidylethanol-amine, phosphatidylserine, phosphatidylinositol, sphingomyelin, phosphatidylethanolamine (cephalin), cardiolipin, phosphatidic

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acid, cerebrosides, dicetylphosphate, phosphatidylcholine, and dipalmitoyl-phosphatidylglycerol.
Additional nonphosphorous-containing lipids include,
but are not limited to, stearylamine, dodecylamine,
hexadecyl-amine, acetyl palmitate, glycerol
ricinoleate, hexadecyl sterate, isopropyl myristate,
amphoteric acrylic polymers, fatty acid, fatty acid,
amides, cholesterol, cholesterol ester,
diacylglycerol, diacylglycerolsuccinate, and the like.

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In another embodiment of the present invention, the therapeutic agent and the transporting ligand might be incorporated together through a polymeric carrier. For example, the polymeric carrier may be a polymer chain. The list of suitable synthetic polymers includes; poly(ethylene glycol), N-(2-hydroxypropyl)methacrylamide and polyvinyl polymers in particular. Other potential polymeric carriers are

including poly (α-L-lysine), poly (N⁵-hyroxypropyl-L20 glutamine), poly (L-aspartic acid). In addition,
naturally occurring proteins (albumin, immunoglobulins
and lectins), and polysaccharides (dextran and charged
derivatives) can be used as carriers. The therapeutic
and/or the transporting ligand may be attached to the
25 polymer chain through various reactive side chains
that may or may not be degradable in vivo (25).

polypeptide carriers, such as poly (α amino acids),

The carrier may be selected or modified to bind the transport enhancer and or the therapeutic agent either through simple absorption, an ionic interaction or covalent linking. Preferably, the carrier is also able to incorporate large amounts of the therapeutic agent in an active form. The carrier component as well as the therapeutic agent associated with the carrier should be stable in the gut environment, but the carrier may also be selected or modified to release the therapeutic agent once it has been

transported across the mucosal barrier. The release of the therapeutic agent may be effectuated by degradative means, such as a cleavable bond, or by degradation of the carrier component. Examples of such release mechanisms may include stabilized Schiff base linkages (26), acid-cleavable linkages (27) or oligonucleotide sequences cleaved by serum factors (28).

typically formed by attaching the transport enhancer either directly to the therapeutic agent or to a carrier system. Because the bacterial adhesion proteins described in the present invention bind cell receptors, the method of attachment must not prevent the binding of the bacterial protein to the receptor. This can be tested beforehand on in vitro systems containing the appropriate receptors, such as membrane preparations or cell systems.

Various conjugation techniques are known in the 20 art, and the following conjugation techniques are provided by way of illustration. Other conjugation techniques can also be used when appropriate as will be appreciated by those skilled in the art. Where the therapeutic agent is a protein, conjugation may be 25 carried out using bifunctional reagents which are capable of reacting with each of the proteins (i.e., the therapeutic protein and the transport enhancer protein) thereby forming a bridge between the two components. Covalent attachment of the transport 30 enhancer to either the therapeutic agent or the carrier system, through either the available amine or carboxy groups of the transport enhancer, may be carried out using suitable conjugation reagents including; glutaraldehyde and cystamine and EDAC. 35 Other known conjugation agents may be used, as long as they provide linkage of the transport Lactor without

denaturing the protein. One preferred method of conjugation involves thiolation wherein the transport protein is treated with reagents such as N-Succinimidyl 3-(2-pyridyldithio) proprionate(SPDP) to form a disulfide bridge with another sulfhydryl group either in the therapeutic agent or on the carrier. Spacers might also be used and could include polymer , chains such as polyethylene glycol, a sugar or a peptide sequence.

Alternatively, the transport enhancer could be 10 attached through a simple absorption method as described in a following Examples. In yet another embodiment, the compositions of the present invention can be in the form of a fusion protein made by recombinant DNA techniques. Thus, one of ordinary 15 skill can duplicate or mimic bacterial proteins which are suitable as transport enhancers. The use of recombinant DNA techniques requires knowledge of the nucleic acid sequence of the polypeptide or protein therapeutic agent to be delivered. The nucleic acid 20 fragment corresponding to the therapeutic agent is linked to a nucleic acid fragment corresponding to the chosen transport enhancer, thereby forming a recombinant molecule. The recombinant molecule is then operably linked to an expression vector and 25 introduced into a host cell to enable expression of a fusion peptide (29) useful as a chimeric molecule in the present invention. When the carrier component of the pharmaceutical composition is also an amino acid 30 sequence, for example a polymer chain, the entire pharmaceutical composition may be produced by recombinant techniques.

The suitability of the resultant pharmaceutical composition as an oral or topical dosage form can be tested following the protocols set forth in the

following Examples. Compositions which are formulated based upon the description of the present invention will be administered to subjects at a dosage range determined by a skilled investigator or attending physician based upon known and accepted parameters. 5 The dosage regimen involved for a particular therapeutic agent may be determined empirically, and making such determinations is within the skill in the art. Prior to administering the agent, it is 10 preferable to determine toxicity levels of the therapeutic agent(s) so as to avoid deleterious effects. Other considerations will include various factors which modify the action of drugs, e.g., the age, condition, body weight, sex and diet of the patient, the nature and severity of the condition as 15 well as any complicating illness, time of administration and other clinical factors. Optimal dosages of the drug of interest can be determined by. one of ordinary skill in the art using conventional 20 techniques. As a general rule, the dosage levels will correspond to the accepted and established dosage for the particular therapeutic agent to be delivered, i.e., the dosage will be adjusted to attain clinical equivalence and/or bioequivalence to the parenteral dosage form of the therapeutic agent, or correspond to 25 the dosage that achieves the desired physiological or therapeutic response.

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EXAMPLES

EXAMPLE 1

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Internalization of INV- and AIL-Transfected Bacteria into the Human Enterocyte

A transfected bacterium which expresses the bacterial adhesion protein on its surface effectively serves as a model for the immobilization of the proteins on the surface of a carrier. For example, the size of a possible microsphere carrier and an E. coli bacterium are very similar (approximately 1µm in diameter). Non-transfected E. coli serve as a control in the following comparison studies.

To determine if a bacterial coat protein might serve as a transport enhancer, it was first resolved that the protein was able to mediate the adherence, internalization and ultimately transcytosis or transport of transfected bacteria across a layer of polarized human enterocytes. To test this scenario, an in vitro model of a cellular layer/barrier was established.

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Transfection and Maintenance of the Bacteria

Yersinia enterocolitica (8081c), E. coli PBR 322 (control plasmid-transfected) and E. coli HB101 carrying recombinant plasmids with the Y. enterocolitica invasion genes for INV (E. coli PVM 101) and AIL (E. coli PVM 102), were grown and stored as previously described (7). The construction of the plasmids for the transfection was also performed as described in Miller and Falkow (8).

For the bacteria/cell interaction experiments, Y. enterocolitica 8081c was incubated over night in Luria

broth (LB) at room temperature. E. coli PBR 322, PVM-101 and PVM 102 were incubated over night in LB, containing 100 µg/ml ampicillin, at 37°C. The approximate bacterial density was then determined by measuring the optical density (0.D.) of the bacterial suspensions and comparing the measurement to a standard curve of 0.D. versus bacterial number.

Cell Culture

10 The Caco-2 cell line (Ciba-Geigy Pharmaceuticals, Horsham, Surrey) was used in the transport studies. The cells were routinely used between passage numbers 95-120, maintained at 37°C under 10% CO2 in T175 flasks (Falcon Labware, Bedford, MA). Culture medium 15 consisted of Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (DMEM) containing 10% fetal calf serum, 1% minimum essential medium (MEM) non-essential amino acids, 1000 U/ml penicillin, 100 µg/ml streptomycin and 0.3 mg/ml glutamine. Cell stocks were passaged every five days 20 by briefly washing (x2) with Dulbecco's phosphate buffered saline (PBS) [-Ca2+, -Mg2+], and incubating for ten minutes at 37°C with 0.05% trypsin and 0.53 mM EDTA. Cells were passaged at a ratio of 1:3 and were fed every day except for the first day after 25 passaging. (All solutions were from Gibco, Grand Island, NY).

Non-Polarized Cell Culture

Non-polarized cells were grown on plastic culture dishes. The Caco-2 cells were passaged as described above, diluted into culture medium and then counted on a Neubauer hemocytometer (American Scientific Products, McGaw Park, IL), to determine cell density. Che milliliter of the cell suspension containing 1.8 x 10⁵ cells was pipetted into each well of a 24-well culture plate (Falcon Labware, Bedford, MA). The

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cells were further incubated for ten days prior to the studies.

Determination of Bacterial Adherence and Invasion

All of the culture medium used in the bacterial studies was antibiotic-free. Non-polarized Caco-2 cells, in 24-well Falcon culture plates or Caco-2 monolayers, were washed (x2) in antibiotic-free culture medium 24 hours prior to the experiment.

10 After further incubation over night, the cells were placed in fresh medium and equilibrated for one hour.

The non-polarized cell monolayers were routinely inoculated with approximately 2.5 x 10⁵ bacteria per well. The cells were assayed for both surface bound bacteria and invaded/internalized bacteria using known methods (30).

Results:

20 Bacterial Attachment and Internalization in the Non-Polarized Human Enterocyte

Figure 4 illustrates the effect of invasin on the binding of *E. coli* to the non-polarized human enterocyte Caco-2 cell line and shows that the wild type Yersinia, which would be expressing all of the potentially invasive proteins, rapidly adheres to the nonpolarized Caco-2 cell layer. The INV-transfected *E. coli* (closed circles) also demonstrates a rapid surface attachment to the human enterocyte cell line. Levels of surface adhered PVM 101 (INV) are at least 10-fold greater than that of the Yersinia bacteria after nine hours of incubation. The *E. coli* control also shows some adherence to the Caco-2 cells, although levels are always 10-fold less than the Yersinia or PVM 101. *E. coli* is known to have some

adherent capability in the intestine through the 987P pilus (31).

A major difference occurs in the internalization of the bacteria into the non-polarized cell. Figure 5 illustrates the effect of invasin on the internalization of *E. coli* into the human enterocyte Caco-2 cell line. This internalization is an important prerequisite to transcytosis or delivery across the epithelial barrier. Levels of the internalized Yersinia climb rapidly to reach a plateau of 1 x 10⁵ CFU/well. Internalized levels of the INV-transfected *E. coli* (closed circles) are much slower to increase but reach 1 x 10³ CFU/well after nine hours. This is more than 10-fold greater than the internalization of non-transfected *E. coli* which was not greater than 100 CFU/well even after nine hours.

Very similar binding and internalization characteristics are seen for the AIL-transfected E. coli bacterium (PVM 102), see Figure 6 and Figure 7.

Both the levels of the adhered and the internalized PVM 102, however, are less than the levels mediated by invasin. This could result from the fact that the AIL protein appears to be a later acting protein in the invasion event, as compared to the INV protein. The results demonstrate that both the INV and AIL proteins are able to bind the cells through a receptor expressed on the surface of the human enterocyte which then mediates the uptake of a large bacterial particle (approximately 1 µm) into the cell.

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In a separate study the data were reproduced, although only the results at the end of the nine hour incubation are summarized in Figure 8. Again high levels of the *E. coli* control are found adhering to the Caco-2 cells but the levels are less than for any of the bacterium that express the invasive proteins.

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The bacteria can be arranged in order of internalization competence as derived from Figure 8: Yersinia > PVM 101 (INV) > PVM 102 (AIL) > PBR 302 (non-transfected).

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EXAMPLE 2

Receptor-mediated Transcytosis Across the Polarized
Human Enterocyte

For an efficient drug delivery system that is dependent on receptor-mediated uptake of pharmaceutical compositions, delivery via transcytosis is important. Receptor-mediated transcytosis can be defined as the trafficking of the ligand and/or the receptor from one membrane domain to the other in an endosome derived from the plasma membrane.

The transfected bacteria were, therefore, tested for their ability to penetrate or pass through the Caco-2 monolayers by transcytosis as described in Example 1.

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Polarized Cell Culture

Cell culturing was performed substantially in accordance with the methods of Example 1, with the exception that the invasion and binding studies requiring polarized Caco-2 cells were performed on cells grown on a 25 mm diameter Cyclopore® membrane (polyethylene terephtalate), with a pore size of 0.45 µm and a density of 1.6 x 106 pores/cm² (from Falcon Labware). The cells were seeded at a cell density of 1.8 x 105 cells/cm² insert, with 2.5 ml/domain of culture medium. Cells routinely reached

confluency at five days. The cells were incubated for a total of 21 days prior to use. As the cells grow and divide, they form a confluent monolayer across the insert. Under these conditions, the cells are able to feed from both sides as they do in vivo.

To provide for the measurement of bacterial passage across the cell monolayers, the Caco-2 cells were cultured on filter inserts having larger pores. Collagen-coated Transwell-COL filter inserts 10 (nitrocellulose; Costar, Cambridge, MA) were used (average pore size of 3.0 μm and insert diameter of 24 mm). Caco-2 cells were plated at a cell density of $6.6 \times 10^4 \text{ cells/cm}^2$.

15 Measurement of Monolaver Confluency and Polarity

Prior to any experiment being conducted on the cell monolayers grown on the filter inserts, the monolayers were tested for confluency by measuring for tight junction formation between cells as determined 20 by trans-epithelial electrical resistance (TEER). TEER was determined using an EVOM-F Epithelial Voltohmeter (World Precision Instruments, New Haven, CT) with STX "chopstick" electrodes. The measured resistance was corrected for the area of the filters and was routinely >1000 ohms.cm².

The permeability of the monolayers to polyethylene glycol (PEG) (M. wt 4000 Da), inulin (M. wt. 5,200) and dextran (M. wt 70,000 Da) was routinely determined. 14C-labelled PEG 4000 (1 nmol; 2 x 105 30 disintegrations per minute [dpm]), 14C-inulin (1 nmol; 3.1 x 104 dpm) (both from Amersham, Arlington Heights, IL) and ¹⁴C-dextran (1 nmol; 9 x 10⁴ dpm; from New England Nuclear, Boston, MA) were added to the monolayers in culture medium (2.5 ml) for up to 24 35 hours. Medium (100 μ l) from both the apical and basolateral domains was removed after thorough mixing,

aliquoted into XtalScint Ready caps (Beckman, Fullerton, CA) and counted in a Beckman 6000 scintillation counter. The amount of $^{14}\text{C-PEG}$, $^{14}\text{C-inulin}$ or ^{14}C dextran that had diffused through the monolayer was then calculated. Only the monolayers which demonstrated a TEER > 1000 ohms.cm² and a PEG diffusion of <2% in 24 hours were used for both the monolayer characterization and for the bacterial studies.

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Formation of intrinsic factor and vitamin B12 complex

The method was derived from Gottlieb et al. (32) adapted by Allen and Mehlman (33). The required amount of ⁵⁷Co-labelled vitamin Bl2 from Amersham (CT2; 100-300 μ Ci/ μ g) was incubated with a 2-fold molar excess of porcine intrinsic factor (IF) (Sigma, St. Louis, MO). Incubation was in PBS (2 ml) containing 1 mM CaCl2, 0.5 mM MgCl2 (PBS++) with 0.1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) mixing end over end at 4°C for two hours. An equal volume of freshly prepared dextran-coated charcoal, 0.5% charcoal, 0.1% dextran in PBS++ at 4°C, was added, vortexed thoroughly and incubated for ten minutes at 4°C. The charcoal was pelleted by centrifugation at 3,000 rpm (1,500 xg) for 15 minutes in an IEC-Centra-8R centrifuge. supernatant containing the IF-57Co-Vitamin B12 (IF-57Co-VB12) complex was collected for further binding studies. Non-labelled vitamin B12 (VB12) was used in place of $^{57}\text{Co-VB}12$ to make the IF-VBI2 complex for a determination of non-specific binding.

Binding Studies

Studies were performed to determine the polarity of receptor distribution of the Caco-2 cells on the filter inserts. The studies involved the use of the complexed IF ⁵⁷Co-VB12 (IF-VB12), ¹²⁵I-fibronectin (FN;

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from ICN, Minneapolis, MN), ¹⁴C-taurocholic acid (TA) (54 mCi/mmol) from Amersham and ¹²⁵I-epidermal growth factor (EGF) (1354 Ci-mmol) also from Amersham.

Twenty-four hours prior to the binding studies, the cells were washed (x3) with binding medium (serum-free culture medium with 0.1% BSA, Sigma) and were then further incubated overnight. Immediately prior to the experiment, the medium was replaced again with fresh binding medium, and the cells were incubated for a further hour at 37°C. The cells were then cooled to 4°C for 30 minutes, and the appropriate ligand was added to either the apical or basolateral domains.

125I-FN was added to a final concentration of 86 pM, and for the determination of non-specific
15 binding, a 100-fold molar excess of non-labelled fibronectin was added. IF-57Co-VB12 was present at 100 pM, again with a 100-fold molar excess of non-labelled IF-VB12 for the determination of the non-specific binding. 125I-EGF was present at 80 pM, with 20 and without a 100-fold molar excess of the non-labelled EGF. 14C-TA was present at 400 nM, with and without a 100-fold excess of the non-labelled taurocholic acid.

The incubations were all carried out at 4°C for six hours. To remove the unbound ligand, the cells were washed (x3) at 4°C with PBS. For determination of the γ emitters, the membranes with the cells were cut out of the inserts and counted directly in 12 x 75 mm test tubes in a Cobra 2000 gamma counter (Packard, Meridan, CT). Cells incubated with ¹⁴C-TA were solubilized in 0.1 N NaOH (1 ml) and then detected following the addition of 10 ml of Atomlight (New England Nuclear, Cambridge, MA), in a Beckman 6000 scintillation counter.

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Determination of Bacterial Invasion of the Monolayers

The TEER of each monolayer was checked immediately prior to the bacterial inoculations with approximately 10^7 bacteria per filter insert, and $14_{\rm CPPEG}$ 4000 (1 nmol/insert) was also added at this time to monitor monolayer leaking throughout the experiment. Incubation of the cells with the bacteria, was for four hours at $37^{\circ}{\rm C}$ unless otherwise depicted in the figure. The polarized monolayers were routinely evaluated for TEER at each time point, and basolateral medium (100 μ l) was removed for the determination of $14_{\rm CPEG}$ diffusion.

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Adaptations to the protocol of Isberg (30) were used for the determination of bacterial invasion on 15 the polarized cells as follows: at the end of the incubation period on the monolayers, the cells on the Falcon inserts or on the Transwell-COL inserts, were cooled to 4°C before aspirating the medium from both domains. Cells were washed with ice-cold PBS (x5) on 20 either domain, and one milliliter of a 1% Triton X-100 solution in PBS was added and incubated for five minutes at room temperature. Luria broth (1.5 ml) was added to the solubilized cells, which were serially diluted further in LB and plated onto LB agar plates 25 with or without ampicillin for E. coli and Y. enterocolitica, respectively. Plates were incubated over night, and colonies were counted to determine the total number of bacteria [colony forming Units (CFU)], associated with the cells.

Invasion of the bacteria into the cells of the monolayer was determined by washing the cells with PBS at room temperature, and adding 2.5 ml of medium containing gentamicin sulfate (100 μg/ml) to both domains. After a further 90 minutes at 37°C and washing with PBS (x2), the cells were solubilized and analyzed for CFU as described above.

Determination of Bacterial Passage Across the Monolavers

To study bacterial passage across the monolayer, 5 the incubations were continued for up to 24 hours. To prevent bacterial overgrowth, a "kill" of the apically-located bacteria was performed six hours after bacterial inoculation. Medium in the apical domain was aspirated, and culture medium (2.5 ml), 10 containing gentamicin sulfate (50 μ g/ml) was added. After a further incubation for one hour, the apical medium was replaced with culture medium containing gentamicin sulfate (1 μ g/ml) and ¹⁴C-PEG (1 nmol). The number of bacteria in the basolateral domain of 15 the Transwell-COL inserts was determined at various The filter inserts were removed from the wells, transferred to 6-well plates containing preequilibrated culture medium (2.5 ml) and further incubated as required. The medium from the used 20 plates was analyzed for both 14C-PEG and total number of bacteria, by determining CFU on agar plates as previously described.

Results:

The Caco-2 cell line is derived from a human colonic tumor and exhibits a morphology consistent with that of the gut epithelium (34). The Caco-2 cells, therefore, provide a generally accepted model for the human enterocyte (35-38). The cells can be grown as a confluent monolayer on plastic cultureware, but under these conditions they are not polarized, i.e., do not have sorted and differentiated domains. Any receptors expressed by the cells, therefore, are distributed over the entire surface of the cell.

35 Alternatively, the cells may be grown as a polarized epithelial-like monolayer on a micropo-ous membrane.

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Under these conditions the various receptors are sorted between the two membrane domains, and the cells are a true *in vitro* model of the epithelial lining of the human gut.

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The monolayer has tight junctions between the cells which makes the cell monolayer highly impermeable to most molecules having a molecular weight >500 Da (38). The tight junctions separate the apical (lumenal) and basolateral (serosal) domains of the cells (39). In addition, the membrane in each domain is sorted or specific to that domain, such that the receptor population (40) and even the lipids are different in the two domains (41, 42).

The electrical resistance and impermeability of the monolayers is shown in Table 2. After just 12 days in culture, the cells formed confluent monolayers with tight junctions, as demonstrated by the electrical resistance. The electrical resistance does increase somewhat after a further seven days in culture, up to 821 Ω .cm².

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Table 2
Polarity of the Caco-2 Monolayers

5	Parameter	Measurement
	TEER / 12 days in culture TEER / 19 days in culture	735.1 \pm 17.4 Ω .cm ² 821.6 \pm 76.6 Ω .cm ²
15	14C-PEG diffusion Blank + Cells 14C-inulin diffusion Blank	(cm/min) $6.7 \times 10^{-4} \pm 1.16 \times 10^{-5}$ $4.8 \times 10^{-5} \pm 5.76 \times 10^{-6}$ $3.04 \times 10^{-4} \pm 8.6 \times 10^{-6}$
20	+ Cells 14C-dextran diffusion Blank +Cells	1.97 x 10 ⁻⁶ ± 1.68 x 10 ⁻⁶ 5.52 x 10 ⁻⁴ ± 3.32 x 10 ⁻⁵ 3.86 x 10 ⁻⁶ ± 3.0 x 10 ⁻⁶

The monolayers were most permeable to the 4000

molecular weight PEG (see Table 2) with a permeability coefficient of 4.8 x 10⁻⁵ cm/min. The cells were highly impermeable to a ¹⁴C-labelled dextran with a molecular weight of 70,000 Da (a permeability coefficient of 3.86 x 10⁻⁶ cm/min). With the Caco-2 cells being impermeable to relatively small molecules, one would expect that they would be impenetrable by relatively large particles such as bacteria.

The polarity of the monolayers used in the studies of invasion proficient bacterial proteins is depicted in Figure 9. The data demonstrate that the

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receptor population is sorted according to apical and basolateral membrane domains.

The fibronectin receptor (FN-R) is only found on the basolateral domain. This might be expected of a receptor whose major role is to bind the cell to the extracellular matrix (43). This is of concern, however, since the FN-R is a β_1 integrin receptor, similar to the receptor for the INV protein (4). The epidermal growth factor receptor (EGF-R) is also found predominantly on the basolateral domain (>70%). This is a reasonable outcome because the source of EGF in vivo would be from the blood. Similar results with the EGF-R on polarized Caco-2 cells have been demonstrated previously (44).

Two other receptor populations that are normally found on the apical or lumenal side of the gut were also characterized. These were the taurocholic acid receptor (TA-R) (45) and the intrinsic factor receptor (IF-R) (46). IF-R is responsible for the active uptake of vitamin B12 (VB12). Both of these receptors were found predominantly on the apical domain in the in vitro model of the polarized human enterocyte. These data agree with previous studies of the polarity of brush border enzymes shown in Caco-2 cells (47).

The data suggest a high degree of polarity of the Caco-2 monolayers on the culture inserts. The cells form an impermeable barrier to most molecules and, therefore, provide a good model for the human gut. Studies to identify invasion proficient bacterial proteins, such as INV and AIL, with this model are reflective of the results one might expect in the human gut.

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Bacterial Attachment and Internalization of the Polarized Human Enterocyte

As previously discussed, the polarized in vitro model is known to be comparable to the in vivo situation as shown by receptor distribution. After bacterial inoculation and as with the non-polarized cells shown for Figures 4-8, relatively high numbers of the non-transfected E. coli were seen adhered to the polarized cells, see Figure 10. Again, this may result from some inherent property of the E. coli, specifically the 987P pilus (31).

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The major effect of the invasive proteins lies in the internalization of the respective bacteria see Figure 11. For the INV- and AIL-transfected E. coli, internalized levels of the bacteria were 100-fold and 50-fold greater, respectively, than the non-transfected E. coli. In this particular study, the levels of the internalized transfected bacteria were very comparable to those found with the wild-type Yersinia bacteria.

The data suggest that the receptors for both the INV and AIL proteins are available on the apical domain of the polarized human enterocyte. This was reassuring following the fibronectin receptor findings (in Figure 9) which suggested that this group of receptors would not be available for binding. After the binding event has occurred through the apical domain, the bacteria are internalized into the cells.

30 Bacterial Passage Across the Polarized Human Enterocyte

The time course of the trancytosis of the bacteria is shown in Figure 12. The levels of the bacolateral-located non-transfected *E. coli* control remained flat throughout the 12 hour study, and were very low. But, both the INV- and AIL-tr_nsfected

greater than the wild type Yersinia, and for the AIL protein the increase is greater than 10-fold. In general, it was found that the AIL protein seemed to mediate the internalization and transcytosis event far more efficiently in polarized human enterocyte Caco-2 cells as compared to non-polarized cells.

The transcytosis mediated by both INV and AIL is quite rapid, but certainly not as quick as the adhesion event. Therefore, any slowness on the part of the proteins to mediate uptake of a particle system will not be detrimental to the system if they also significantly increase the residence time of the protein at the site of uptake through the binding event.

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The integrity of the cell monolayer was maintained throughout this study by killing the bacteria in the apical domain were killed after six hours of incubation. Therefore, the bacteria in the basolateral domain represent the bacteria that had been bound and internalized into the enterocytes after the initial six hours of incubation. It should also be noted that the bacteria will continue to divide both inside the cells and after they have crossed the monolayers, and this should be remembered when looking at the total number of bacteria.

To determine the route that the bacteria take across the cell layer, the integrity of the monolayer was checked at the end of every study. ¹⁴C-PEG (4000 Da) diffusion was measured as a marker for tight junction integrity between the cells. It was found that the level of PEG diffusion during the 24 hour incubation with the bacteria did not increase over non-inoculated monolayers. This suggests that the bacteria do not cross the monolayers through the tight

junctions nor through a degradation of monolayer integrity. The data suggest that the INV- and AIL-transfected bacteria are able to cross the cells through an internalization and transcytosis event. The finding that the particles crossed the membrane barrier was a novel observation and formed the basis of the current invention.

It has been generally accepted that Yersinia enterocolitica, which expresses both INV and AIL, 10 enters the body from the gut through the M cells of the Peyers Patches, (9, 10). This would not be a preferred route for therapeutic delivery. The M cells are the most efficient way to deliver an antigen to the immune system from the gut, and therefore, this 15 route increases the chance of eliciting an immune response to the therapeutic agent. The present data, with the human enterocyte Caco-2 cell line, suggested that a drug delivery system based on INV- or AILmediated uptake would also transport a therapeutic 20 agent across the enterocytes, and thereby allow the pharmaceutical composition to reach the systemic circulation. This would increase the potential capacity of the delivery system and decrease or prevent the possible immunologic presentation of the 25 therapeutic agent.

EXAMPLE 3

Expression, purification and testing of the MBP-INV and MBP-AIL fusion proteins

Preparation and purification of bacterial protein

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Nucleic acid sequences encoding either the INV or AIL protein, in combination with MBP, were transfected into *E. coli* using known techniques (18). The expressed protein was extracted from the transfected

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bacteria by two passes in a French pressure cell at 14,000 p.s.i. The method for the purification of the MBP-INV and MBP-AIL was performed as described by Leong et al. (17) using affinity chromatography with cross-linked amylose (18)).

The amino acid sequence for MBP is illustrated in Figure 3 and SEQ ID NO:3. The amino acid sequence for an exemplary MBP-INV fusion protein is illustrated in Figure 14 and SEQ ID NO:4. The amino acid sequence for an exemplary MBP-AIL fusion protein is illustrated in Figure 15 and SEQ ID NO:5.

In Vitro Assaying of the Fusion Proteins

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After purification, the proteins were stored at -80°C, in 10 mM Tris buffer pH 8.0, with 100 mM NaCl and 1 mM EGTA. Assays were established to demonstrate that the proteins were able to bind to the appropriate receptor on the human enterocyte Caco-2 cell after labelling and immobilization of the MBP-INV protein.

Radiolabelling of Bacterial Coat Proteins and MBP-Fusion Protein

Proteins were diluted to a concentration of 500 μg/ml in iodination buffer (100 mM NaH₂PO₄, pH 6.5) and were then microdialyzed over night in iodination buffer. Two Iodobeads (Pierce Chemicals, Rockford, IL) were used per protein and these were prewashed (x2) in iodination buffer, blotted dry and placed in borosilicate tubes. Iodination buffer (100 μl) was added to the beads together with 10 μl of Na¹²⁵I (carrier free, specific activity 100 mCi/ml, from New England Nuclear). After reacting for five minutes, the protein was added to provide 200 μg/tube. The reaction mixture was mixed, allowed to react for five minutes at room temperature, and was then removed from the Iodobeads. Ten microliters of 1M parahydroxy-

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benzoate was added to bind any non-labelling ¹²⁵I, and the mixture was incubated for a further ten minutes on ice. Separation of the ¹²⁵I-labelled protein and the unbound ¹²⁵I was carried out on a PD10 desalting column (Pharmacia, Piscataway, NJ) which had been preequilibrated with PBS. Fractions eluted with PBS (500 µl) were collected and assessed for radioactivity in a Cobra 5000 gamma counter (Packard, Downers Grove, IL).

The fractions containing the labelled protein 10 were pooled and then exhaustively dialyzed at 4°C in PBS with 0.02% Tween 20. The dialysate was continually monitored for 125I, until no further nonlabelling ¹²⁵I was removed. The amount of unbound ¹²⁵I present with the radiolabelled protein was determined 15 by precipitation with a final 6% solution of trichloroacetic acid (TCA). The amount of protein was determined using the BCA protein assay (Pierce Chemicals, Rockford, IL). The final yield of MBP-INV after radiolabelling was 29%. The amount of unbound 125I was 1.5% and the specific activity of the 20 radiolabelled MBP-INV was 3.23×10^6 cpm/ μ g.

Binding Assay

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A conventional binding assay was performed using 25 125I-labelled MBP-INV, and the specificity of the cell binding with this protein was determined by competing with non-labelled MBP-INV, MBP-AIL and the MBP protein alone. 125I-MBP-INV was added to each well of a 24-well plate containing a confluent monolayer of the Caco-2 cells. The final concentration of the protein 30 was 100 ng/ml (833 pM) and 3.2 x 10^5 cpm/ml. A 100-fold excess of each competing protein was added as required. The cells were incubated with the proteins for two hours at 37°C under 10% CC2 in DMEM with 10% fetal bovine serum (FBS). After cooling the cells to 35 4°C for 30 minutes, the cells were washed (x3) with

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PBS containing 0.1% BSA and solubilized in 0.1N NaOH before counting in the Cobra 6000 gamma counter.

Results

5 The results are summarized in Figure 13. The binding of 125I-labelled MBP-INV was inhibited by more than 70% by the non-labelled MBP-INV, whereas the MBP, AIL protein did not appear to inhibit binding. The control protein MBP, did appear to cause some inhibition of the MBP-INV binding (27%). The results, however, indicate that the INV protein binds the Caco-2 cells through a receptor-specific mechanism. More importantly, the isolated form of the protein retained its binding ability and, therefore, provided a suitable invasion proficient bacterial protein for use in the pharmaceutical compositions of the present invention.

20 EXAMPLE 4

INV and AIL Proteins with Carrier Component

One embodiment of the pharmaceutical composition of the present invention involves a therapeutic/carrier combination whose uptake is mediated by a transport enhancer, such as the INV or AIL proteins. The MBP-INV protein was associated with fluorescently labelled microspheres and liposomes to evaluate such a delivery system.

Methods:

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Coating of Latex Microspheres with Bacterial Proteins

Latex microspheres, labelled with a fluorescent dye (phycoerythrin, PC) and having an average diameter of 0.996 µm, were obtained from Polysciences,

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Warrington, PA. The PC-labelled microspheres (2.27×10^{10}) were washed (x4) with a 0.1M borate buffer pH 8.5. After each wash, the microspheres were collected by centrifugation at 8,000 rpm for six minutes in an Eppendorf centrifuge.

The latex microspheres were coated with the bacterial coat protein by simple adsorption. The microspheres were resuspended in 300 microliters of 10 mM Tris buffer (pH 8.0) containing 100 mM NaCl, 1 mM EGTA and 400 µg of the MBP-INV protein. A further one milliliter of the borate buffer was then added.

To remove the free or uncoated protein, the microspheres were again centrifuged at 11,000 rpm for 15 ten minutes in the Eppendorf centrifuge, and the supernatant was collected for protein determination in the BCA assay. It was usual that no free protein was found remaining in the supernatant, i.e., all the protein was coating the microspheres. The coated 20 microspheres were subsequently resuspended in the borate buffer (1 ml) with 10 mg/ml BSA, incubated for 30 minutes at room temperature, and then collected by centrifugation. The microspheres were washed (x2) with the borate buffer/BSA (1 ml) before being finally 25 resuspended in PBS (1 ml) containing 10 mg/ml of BSA, 0.1% NaN_3 and 5% glycerol. The microspheres were then stored at 4°C.

Adherence of the INV-Coated Microspheres to Cultured Cells

Two cell lines were used to evaluate the adherence of the bacterial protein/microsphere compositions: the HEp-G2 cell line, (from a human hepatocellular carcinoma cell line from ATCC \$HB-8065) and the Caco-2 cell line. The HEp-G2 cell line is epithelial in morphology and is routinely used as an

in vitro cell model of the liver hepatocyte. The cells were plated onto glass coverslips (Baxter, McGaw Park, IL) at a cell density of 1×10^5 cells/cm² in a 6-well Costar culture plate. The cells were incubated for two days in Dulbecco's minimum essential medium, with 5% FBS and 0.1% non-essential amino acids (all from Gibco), at 37°C and 5% CO2. DMEM (2 ml) was added to the wells with INV-coated PC-microspheres (2 \times 108). Control wells were established using uncoated PC-microspheres (2 x 10^8). The cells were further 10 incubated on a rocker at 37°C for two hours before cooling to 4°C and washing (x3) with ice-cold PBS (2 ml). The coverslips were then viewed under a Nikon Optiphot-2 microscope with fluorescence adaptation, and photographs were taken using a Nikon Fx-35WA 15 camera.

Conjugation of MBP-invasin to liposomes

The liposomes were composed of dipalmitoylphosphatidylcholine (DPPC):cholesterol (chol):N-20 glutaryl-dioleoylphosphatidylethanolamine (NG-DOPE) were prepared by sonication. Solvent free lipid films were prepared at a mole ratio of DPPC:cho!:NG-DOPE of 2:1:0.1 and contained a trace amount of $[^3H]$ cholesteryl hexadecyl ether (CE) as a marker for total 25 lipid. The lipid films were hydrated in Mes-acetate saline buffer (20 mM Mes, 20 mM NaAcetate, pH 5.5, 0.15 M NaCl) and sonicated to form small unilamellar liposomes. To 0.2 μ mol total lipid was added 0.4 mg of 1-ethyl-3-(3-dimethylaminopropyl) carbodiimide 30 hydrochloride (EDC) and 0.2 mg of Nhydroxysulfosuccinimide (S-NHS), and the samples were mixed for 15 minutes at room temperature. MBP-invasin (0.2 mg) was added and the pH of the suspension adjusted to 8.0 using a small aliquot of 0.4 M NaHCO3 buffer. The sample was then stirred overnight at 4°C.

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Unconjugated MBP-invasin was removed from liposomes by centrifuging the samples for 10 minutes at $100,000 \times g$ in an air driven ultracentrifuge. Pelleted liposomes were resuspended in PBS, pH 7.0 and centrifuged twice more to remove unconjugated protein. The conjugated MBP-invasin was determined using the BCA assay, and lipid recovery was quantitated by scintillation counting. The final MBP-invasin:total lipid ratio was between 60 and 100 $\mu g/\mu mol$ lipid.

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Uptake of liposomes by Caco-2 cells

Dilutions of unconjugated liposomes and MBP-invasin conjugated liposomes were made in RPMI medium (Gibco) and incubated with confluent monolayers of non-polarized Caco-2 cells grown in a 24 well plate for one hour at 37°C. The cells were washed three times with RPMI medium and dissolved by adding 0.1 N NaOH (1 ml) to each well. Dissolved cells (100 μ l) were used to quantitate cellular protein, while 900 μ l of the samples were processed for scintillation counting and lipid quantitation.

Results

A highly visible difference in the adherence of the coated microspheres vs. non-coated microspheres was found on the cells on the coverslips, i.e., the coated microspheres became adherent to the human enterocyte. The effect was observed on both HEp-G2 cells and on the human enterocyte cell line Caco-2.

The non-coated microspheres, however, showed no visible adherence to the Caco-2 cells.

The data for the MBP-INV-conjugated liposomes are presented in Figure 16. The results demonstrate an uptake of 5.6-fold greater levels of the MBP-INV-conjugated liposomes over the non-conjugated liposomes

(1.47 nmol/well vs. 0.265 nmol/well). The amount of lipid uptake was found to be concentration dependent.

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The foregoing descriptions of the specific embodiments fully reveal the general nature and applicability of the present invention such that others can readily adapt and/or optimize the teachings

- and specific embodiments to produce an assortment of pharmaceutical compositions using a variety of therapeutic agents, carrier components and invasive protein transport enhancers. Any such modifications and adaptations are intended to be embraced within the
- 35 meaning and range of equivalents of the disclosed embodiments. It is also to be understood that the

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO:3:

- (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
 - (A) LENGTH: 6545 base pairs
 - (B) TYPE: nucleic acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: unknown (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: cDNA
- (ix) FEATURE:
 - (A) NAME/KEY: CDS
 - (B) LOCATION: 3630..4820

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Arg Ser Leu Val Ser Ser Leu Glu Ala Ser Arg Gln Cys Gln Gly Ser 505

Asp Met Ser Ala Val Leu Glu Ser Ser Arg Ala Thr Asn Gly Thr Arg

Ala Pro Asp Gly Thr Leu Trp Gly Glu Trp Gly Ser Leu Thr Ala Tyr 535

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 - (B) TYPE: amino acid
 - (C) STRANDEDNESS: unknown
 - (D) TOPOLOGY: unknown
- (ii) MOLECULE TYPE: protein
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Val Gly Lys Lys Phe Glu Lys Asp Thr Gly Ile Lys Val Thr Val Glu

His Pro Asp Lys Leu Glu Glu Lys Phe Pro Gln Val Ala Ala Thr Gly

Asp Gly Pro Asp Ile Ile Phe Trp Ala His Asp Arg Phe Gly Gly Tyr 90

Ala Gln Ser Gly Leu Leu Ala Glu Ile Thr Pro Asp Lys Ala Phe Gln 105 100 Asp Lys Leu Tyr Pro Phe Thr Trp Asp Ala Val Arg Tyr Asn Gly Lys Leu Ile Ala Tyr Pro Ile Ala Val Glu Ala Leu Ser Leu Ile Tyr Asn 135 Lys Asp Leu Leu Pro Asn Pro Pro Lys Thr Trp Glu Glu Ile Pro Ala Leu Asp Lys Glu Leu Lys Ala Lys Gly Lys Ser Ala Leu Met Phe Asn 165 Leu Gln Glu Pro Tyr Phe Thr Trp Pro Leu Ile Ala Ala Asp Gly Gly Tyr Ala Phe Lys Tyr Glu Asn Gly Lys Tyr Asp Ile Lys Asp Val Gly 200 Val Asp Asn Ala Gly Ala Lys Ala Gly Leu Thr Phe Leu Val Asp Leu Ile Lys Asn Lys His Met Asn Ala Asp Thr Asp Tyr Ser Ile Ala Glu 235 230 Ala Ala Phe Asn Lys Gly Glu Thr Ala Met Thr Ile Asn Gly Pro Trp Ala Trp Ser Asn Ile Asp Thr Ser Lys Val Asn Tyr Gly Val Thr Val Leu Pro Thr Phe Lys Gly Gln Pro Ser Lys Pro Phe Val Gly Val Leu 280 Ser Ala Gly Ile Asn Ala Ala Ser Pro Asn Lys Glu Leu Ala Lys Glu 300 Phe Leu Glu Asn Tyr Leu Leu Thr Asp Glu Gly Leu Glu Ala Val Asn Lys Asp Lys Pro Leu Gly Ala Val Ala Leu Lys Ser .yr Glu Glu Glu Leu Ala Lys Asp Pro Arg Ile Ala Ala Thr Met Glu Asn Ala Gln Lys 345 Gly Glu Ile Met Pro Asn Ile Pro Gln Met Ser Ala Phe Trp Tyr Ala 360 Val Arg Thr Ala Val Ile Asn Ala Ala Ser Gly Arg Gln Thr Val Asp 375 Glu Ala Leu Lys Asp Ala Gln Thr Asn Ser Ser Ser Val Pro Gly Arg 395

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Met	Leu	Gly	Ala	Gly 565	Tyr	Arg	Phe								

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CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 5 1. A therapeutic delivery system for the delivery of a therapeutic agent, comprising:
 - a) a therapeutic agent; and
 - b) an invasion proficient bacterial protein which transports the composition across the gastrointestinal
- 10 membrane barrier via transcytosis, and thereby increases the systemic bioavailability of said therapeutic agent.
- 2. The delivery system according to Claim 1, wherein transcytosis via said bacterial protein increases the systemic bioavailability of said therapeutic agent by 5-fold to 100-fold.
- The delivery system according to Claim 1, wherein
 said bacterial protein is invasin protein.
 - 4. The delivery system according to Claim 1, wherein said bacterial protein is attachment-invasion-locus protein.

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- 5. The delivery system according to Claim 1, further comprising a carrier component.
- 6. The delivery system according to Claim 5, wherein 30 said carrier component is selected from the group consisting of liposomes, and polymer-based particles.
 - 7. The delivery system according to Claim 1, wherein said therapeutic agent and said invasion proficient bacterial protein are linked by a degradable peptide sequence.

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- 8. A pharmaceutical composition comprising:
- a) a therapeutic agent;
- b) an invasion proficient bacterial protein which
- 5 transports the composition across the gastrointestinal tract; and
 - c) a carrier component.
- 9. The composition according to Claim 8, wherein said bacterial protein is invasin or attachment-invasion-locus protein or a fragment thereof.
- 10. The composition according to Claim 8, wherein said therapeutic agent and said bacterial protein are linked by a degradable peptide sequence.
 - 11. The composition according to Claim 8, wherein said carrier is selected from the group consisting of a liposome and a polymer particle.

- 12. A pharmaceutical composition comprising: a fusion protein including a therapeutic moiety and an invasion proficient bacterial protein to affect delivery of the composition across the
- 25 gastrointestinal tract.
 - 13. The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said bacterial protein is invasin protein.
- 30 14. The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said bacterial protein is attachment-invasion-locus protein.
- 15. The composition according to Claim 12, further 35 comprising a carrier component.

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- 16. The composition according to Claim 15, wherein said carrier component is selected from the group consisting of liposomes and polymer-based particles.
- 5 17. The composition according to Claim 12, wherein said therapeutic moiety and said invasion proficient bacterial protein are linked by a degradable peptide sequence.
- 10 18. A method of delivering a therapeutic agent through the gastrointestinal membrane barrier, comprising: orally administering a pharmaceutical composition comprising a therapeutic agent and an invasion proficient bacterial protein.

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- 19. The method according to Claim 18, wherein said invasion protein is invasin protein.
- 20. The method according to Claim 18, wherein said20 invasion protein is attachment-invasion-locus protein.
 - 21. The method according to Claim 18, wherein said pharmaceutical composition further comprises a carrier component.

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22. The method according to Claim 18, wherein said pharmaceutical composition comprises a fusion protein including said therapeutic agent and said invasion protein.

- 23. A pharmaceutical composition comprising: a fusion protein comprising a therapeutic agent, an invasion proficient bacterial protein to effect delivery of the composition across the
- 35 gastrointestinal tract and a carrier component.

1/33 Figur 1

- 1	GAGTCGTACT	GTGGGGAAAA	CCGGCGAGAG	CGAAGCGGCG	GTCCATATAC	50
51				CGCATTAGAT		100
101				AATGTAAACT		150
151	TAATAATATA +	TCACAATATA	TATATACATG	CTAAATATAA	CCTGACAATT	200
201	AAATTAACAA	GCTAATATTA	CCATGATGAT	TTTTTTTTT +	TGCATTTCAT	250
251	TTGTCATTGC	TGTTATTTTT	AATTTTTTAA	TTTTATTTTT	GTAAGTTCTG	300
301	CTATTCTATT	GTTAGTGTTT	GCGAGAGAGA	AGAAGTTATT	TCTTGTCGCT	350
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401		+	+	ACGCTAACTG + T L T V	+	450
451	+	+	+	AATATTTGGA + I F G	+	500
501	+	+	+	CAGAAGCGTT E A L	+	550
551		+	+	ATCAGTACCG + I S T G	+	600
601	+	+	+	CAGGTCAATG + R S M	+	650
651	+	+	+	ATAGATTTGG + R F G	+	700
			AAAGTTCTCC	CTCAAAGAAA	GTTCTCTTGA	
701		+	+	L K E S	S L D	.750

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801	TGGGIATAAG AAATAA	AAGAC AGTCGCAATA	CCCTTAATAT CGGCGCTG	
001			L N I G A G	
851		++	GGCTTTAACA CTTCCTATO	-+ 900
	VRTF Q Q) S W M Y	G F N T S Y I	>
901			TGGCGTGGGT GCAGAAGCC	+ 950
951	+	++	Y F R L N G	T + 1000
			AATGAGCGCC CGGCAAGCG	c
1001	+	++	N E R P A S G	+ 1050
		AAAG CGTATTTACC	TGCGCTGCCA CAATTGGGC	3
1051		X A Y L P	A L P Q L G	+ 1100
1101		++	AGCGGGTGGC TTTATTTGGT	
1151	AAAGATAACC TGCAAAG	GTAA CCCTTATGCG	GTGACCACAG GGCTTATTTA	
1201		++ `	CGATCAACGA ATGGGAAAAA D'Q R M G K S	1250
1251		+ ,+	AAATGGATTA TCGCCTCGGC	
1301		++	GTGGTGGCCG GAACTCGTTT	1350
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1401		+	TGGCATTTTC ACCCGCCGTA A F S P A V	1450
1451		+	GTTAGTGCAC AAATACAGTC	1500

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1601		+	+	CGTACTGTGG + R T V G	+	165,0
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1751	+		+	ACTGATGATG		1800
1801	+	ACTCCCATCA (+	TACAGTGACT	AATATTGATA + N I D S	1850
1851	+		+	TAACCACCAG	+	1900
1901			+	GCACAGGGTG	+	1950
1951	+		+	AGTCGTCACT T	+	2000
2001	+		+	TTGCCGTGCT (+	2050
2051	+		+	TCTGATATTG	+	2100
2101	+		+	GCGTAATAAA A RNK 1	+	2150
2151	+		+	TACAAAGTGG	+	2200

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Figure 1 (continu d)

2201		C CGGTAACCGA	+	+	+	2250
2251	GGGAAATTC	GTAGGAGATG	+	+	GGGGGGAAT G G E S	2300
2301		GTTGCAGAAA	+	+	+	2350,
2351		ACGTGAATGG		+	+	2400
2401	+	TTTAATAAAG	+	+	AATGACGATG	2450
2451		TACTCAATAT	+			2500
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2551	CACCGTCACT	-	AAAGTAAAAA	ATTCCCGAGT	TATACGGCAA	2600
2601	CATATCAATT Y Q F	CAAACCTAAT K P N	TTGTGGGTGT L W V F	+		2650
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2701	GCTGATCGAG L I E	TCCGCACGCG+ S A R A	+	TTCGCGTTCA S R S	+	2750
2751	+	AGAGTGGGGA + E W G	+	+	+	2800
2801	CCATCGGGTA	ACTATTGGAC Y W T	TAAAAAGACC	AGTACAGATT	TTGTCACTAT	2850
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Figure 1 (continued)

					GCCCAGCAAA	
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3251		CGACCGGAGC			GCTACTACGG	3300
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3501	GCCTGTTTTA	AGGTTTCGAC	ACGTTCTACA	TTGATGTCCT	GGCTGCCCGG	3550
3551	TTGCATCAAT	TTTGCCTGCG	CGTCGCTCAA	TTTAACCTCA	GTACCACTTA	3600

Figure 2

1		ATACCG AAGCCCAAGA			50
51	AAATGGCTCG ATGGC	GACGTT GGTGGAAGGA	AGCAAATATT	GCTTACGGCA	100
101		AGATGA GCTTCAGATO			150
151		ACTGTG ACATCCAGTA	ATAAAACAGA	GCCTCTATTA	200
201		TTTGAA ATCAGAAAA			250
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501	TACTAGCTAG TTCTC	TAATA GCCTGTTTAT	+	TGTTAATGTG + V N V	550
551		AAGTAG TATTTCTATT	+	+	600
601	+	ATACAT TGGATAATGA T L D N D	+	+	650
651		CTCGAT GATAACTGGG	+	+	700
701		ATATGA TTTCTTCTAT	+	+	750
751		ACTATT CAGTAACAAT	+	+	800
801		CTTTAT GGATTACTGC	+	+	850

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0.53		TATTTGATGA	ATCAATCAGT	GCAAGTAAGA	CGTCAATGGC	900
851		F D E	S I S	A S K T	S M A	300
901	+	+	TCAACCCACT N P L	+	+	950
951	+	+	CTCGATAGCA L D S I	+	+	1000
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1101		GTACTGCACC	GGACTCAGGC	CGTTTAATTT	TACTTTGATC	1150-
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1201	+	+		+	+	1250
1251	CAAAAAGTT	TTCTATCACA	GCATTATCCA	GGCAGTTGCC	CTTGCGCGAC	1300
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1451	+	+		+		1500
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1601	+	+		+		1650
1651	+	+.		+		1700
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Figure 2 (continued)

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1801					CCTGCCAGTA	1^50
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1901				TTTTTTCCGC		1950
1951				ATGCGCAGGC		2000
2001				CGTTGATGGC		2050
2051				CCGAGTGAAC		2100
2101				GGACGGGAAT		2150
2151				GGAACAGCGA	AAGCGTATAT	2200
2201	TTCGATAAAA	GCAGCGAAAG	2220		₹ ••	

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1					CCCCAACGCC	50
51					TCACGCCTGG	100
101		GTGAAATAAC			GGGGTCATGT	150
151					TTGTTTGTTC	200
201		TCAGCGTCAG			CCGGGACGCT	250
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301					CGGTGTCCAG	350
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601	TTTTATGCCG	GATGCGGCGT	AAACGCCTTA	TCCGGCCTAC	ATTTGACAGC	650
651	CGTTGTAGGC	CTGATAAGAC	GCGCAAGCGT	CGCATCAGGC	GTTGGTTGCC	700

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701			T ATCCGGCCC		A TTACCACCAG	750
751					CACGACCGAA	800
801					TTCGCGTTGT	850 /
851					CCACTTGGCG	900
901					TGTCGCCAGC	950
951					TTGTCGCCGG	1000
1001		TTCGACGTTG			GGTGCTCATG	1050
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1201		TGTTGTTGAT				1250
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1751				CTTCCCAGTC	ATTCTGTTGT	1800
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2001	ATCAACAGCC	ATTGCCTGAG	CAGACATTAC	GCCCGCTGCG	ACGGCAACCG	2050
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2301					GTTGCTCGAC	2350
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2651	CACGATTTTG					2700
	AAATCATTGT (TTCGATACGC	2750
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2801	AAATACGCTT (ACACGCTGAC	2850

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3001	GGGGATAGAG	CGCGTAAGAC	TGAAACACCA	TACCAACGCC	GCGTTCTGCT	3050
3051	GGCGGAGTGT	CATTCATCCG	TTTCTCACCG	ATGAACAGGT	CGCCGCTGGT	3100
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3251	CTGTACGCTC	GCCATGCCCT	TCTCCCTTTG	TAACAACCTG	TCATCGACAG	3300
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3351	TCCACCCCT	GGCTTTTTTA	TGGGGGAGGA	GGCGGGAGGA	TGAGAACACG	3400
3401	GCTTCTGTGA	ACTAAACCGA	GGTCATGTAA	GGAATTTCGT	GATGTTGCTT	3450
3451	GCAAAAATCG	TGGCGATTTT	ATGTGCGCAT	CTCCACATTA	CCGCCAATTC	3500
3501	TGTAACAGAG	ATCACACAAA	GCGACGGTGG	GGCGTAGGGG	CAAGGAGGAT	3550

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3801		+	AAACTGGAAG AGAAATTCCC K L E E K F P	3850
3851		+	CATTATCTTC TGGGCACACG	3900
		+	TGTTGGCTGA AATCACCCCG	3950
3951		+	TTTACCTGGG ATGCCGTACG F T W D A V R	4000
4001		+	CGCTGTTGAA GCGTTATCGC A V E A L S L	4050
4051	I Y N K D L	+	CGCCAAAAAC CTGGGAAGAG PKTWEE	4100
4101		+	AAAGGTAAGA GCGCGCTGAT K G K S A L M	4150

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4301	+	+	ATGCAGACAC CGATTACTCC ATCGCAGAAG A D T D Y S I A E A	4350
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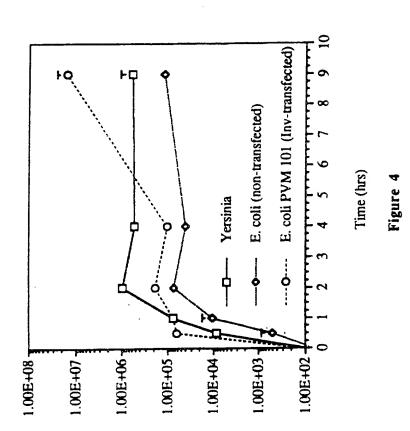
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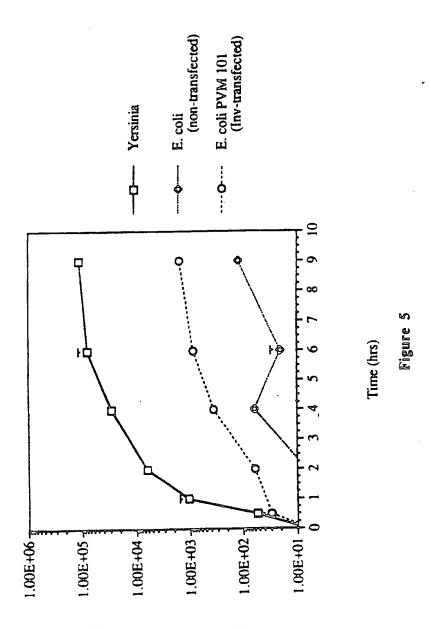
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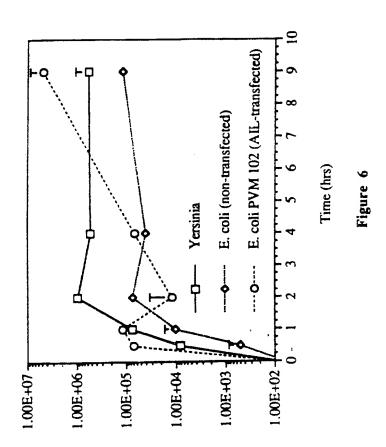
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6401		GGGGGTCAGG	ACTTCGGTCT	GGCGGCAGCA	ATTGCCACGC	6450
6451	TGATCTTCCT	GCTGGTGGGT	GCGCTGGCGA	TAGTGAACCT	GAAAGCCACG	6500
6501		TTGATTAAGG	GAGATAACAA	AAATGGCAAT	GGTCC 6545	



Surface Bound Bacteria (CFU/well)



Internalized Bacteria (CFU/well)



Surface Bound Bacteria (CFU/well)

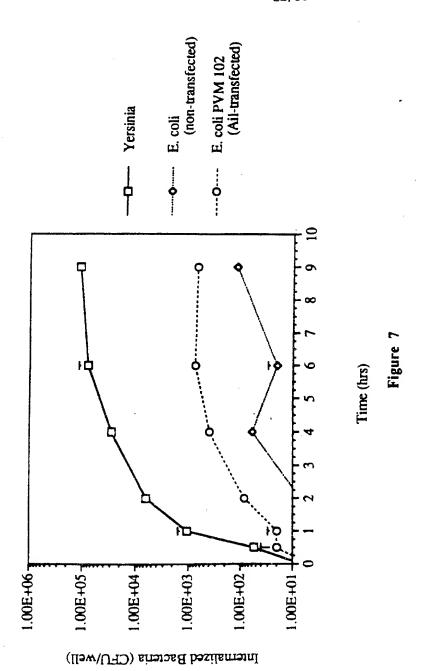
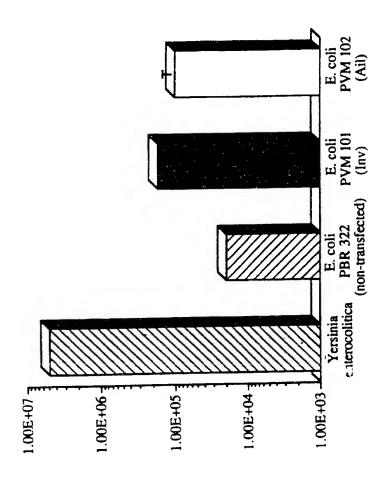
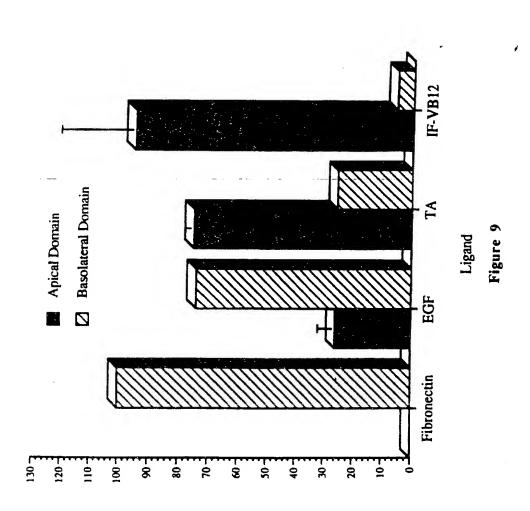


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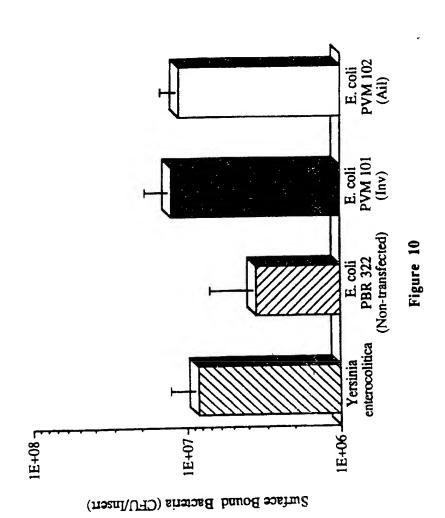


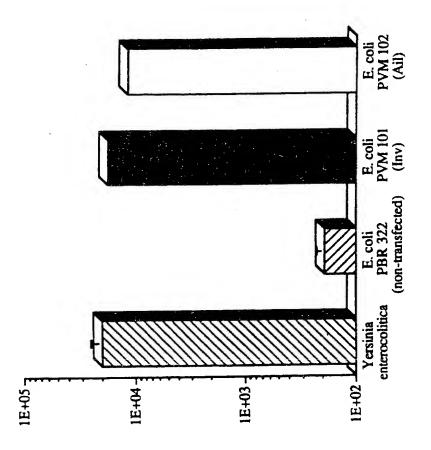
Internalized Bacteria (CFU/well)

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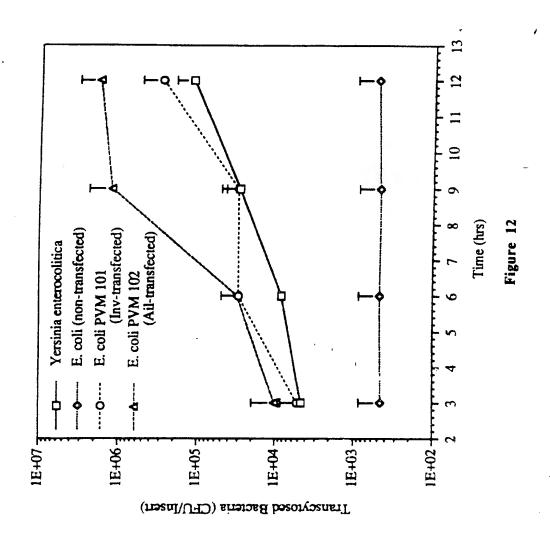
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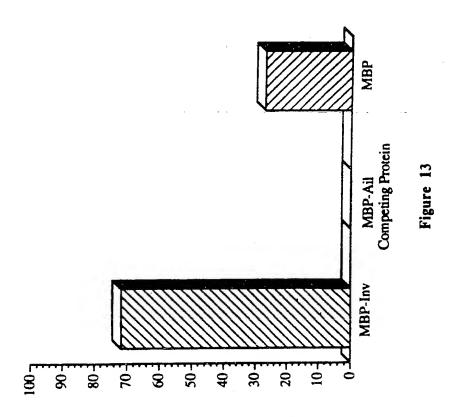




Internalized Bacteria (CFU/Insert)

Figure 11





% Inhibitid val-ABM-ISSI to notified %

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Piguro 14 MBP-INV(192) Fusion Protein

Met 1	Lys	Ile	Lys	Thr 5	Gly	Ala	Arg	Ile	Leu 10	Ala	Leu	Ser	Ala	Leu 15	Thr
Thr	Met	Met	Phe 20	Ser	Ala	Ser	Ala	Leu 25	Ala	Lys	Ile	Glu	Glu 30	Gly	Lys
Leu	Val	Ile 35	Trp	Ile	Asn	Gly	Asp 40	Lys	Gly	Tyr	Asn	Gly 45	Leu	Ala	Glu
Val	Gly 50	Lys	Lys	Phe	Glu	Lys 55	Asp	Thr	Gly	Ile	Fys	Val	Thr	Val	Glu
His 65	Pro	qeA	Lys	Leu	Glu 70	Glu	Lys	Phe		Gln 75	Val	Ala	Ala	Thr	Gly 80
Ąsp	Gly	Pro	Asp	Ile 85	Ile	Phe	-Trp	Ala	ніs 90	Asp	Arg	Phe	Gly	Gly 95	Tyr
Ala	Gln	Ser	Gly 100	Leu	Leu	Ala	Glu	11e 105	Thr	Pro	qeA	Lys	Ala 110	Phe	Gln
Asp	Lys	Leu 115	Tyr	Pro	Phe	Thr	Trp 120	qeA	Ala	Val	Arg	Tyr 125	Asn	Gly	Lys
Leu	Ile 130	Ala	Tyr	Pro	Ile	Ala 135	Val	Glu	Ala	Leu	Ser 140	Leu	Ile	Tyr	neA
Lys 145	Asp	Leu	Leu	Pro	Asn 150	Pro	Pro	Lys	Thr	Trp 155	Glu	Glu	Ile	Pro	Ala 160
Leu	Ąsp	Lys	Glu	Leu 165	Lys	Ala	Lys	Gly	Lys 170	Ser	Ala	Leu	Met	Phe 175	Asn
				•						T10	Ala	Ala	Agn	Gly	Gly
Leu	Gln	Glu	Pro 180	Tyr	Phe	Thr	1.rb	185	TVSG	:	,		190	_	
			180					185		ŧ			190	Val	
Tyr	Ala	Phe 195	180 Lys	Tyr	Glu	Asn	Gly 200	185 Lys	Tyr	, Asp	Ile	Lys 205	Asp		Gly
Tyr Val	Ala Asp 210	Phe 195 Asn	180 Lys Ala	Tyr Gly	Glu Ala	Asn Lys 215	Gly 200 Ala	Lys Gly	Tyr Leu	Asp Thr	Ile Phe 220	Lys 205 Leu	Asp Val	Val	Gly
Tyr Val Ile 225	Ala Asp 210 Lys	Phe 195 Asn	Lys Ala Lys	Tyr Gly His	Glu Ala Met 230	Asn Lys 215 Asn	Gly 200 Ala Ala	185 Lys Gly Asp	Tyr Leu Thr	Asp Thr Asp 235	Ile Phe 220 Tyr	Lys 205 Leu Ser	Asp Val	Val Asp Ala	Gly Leu Glu
Tyr Val Ile 225 Ala	Ala Asp 210 Lys	Phe 195 Asn Asn	Lys Ala Lys Asn	Tyr Gly His Lys 245	Glu Ala Met 230 Gly	Asn Lys 215 Asn Glu	Gly 200 Ala Ala Thr	185 Lys Gly Asp	Tyr Leu Thr Met 250	Asp Thr Asp 235	Ile Phe 220 Tyr	Lys 205 Leu Ser Asn	Asp Val Ile	Val Asp Ala Pro 255	Gly Leu Glu 240
Tyr Val Ile 225 Ala	Ala Asp 210 Lys Ala	Phe 195 Asn Asn Phe	Lys Ala Lys Asn Asn 260 Phe	Tyr Gly His Lys 245 Ile	Glu Ala Met 230 Gly Asp	Asn Lys 215 Asn Glu	Gly 200 Ala Ala Thr	185 Lys Gly Asp Ala Lys 265 Ser	Tyr Leu Thr Met 250 Val	Thr Asp 235 Thr	Ile Phe 220 Tyr Ile	Lys 205 Leu Ser Asn Gly	Asp Val Ile Gly Val 270 Gly	Val Asp Ala Pro 255	Gly Leu Glu 240 Trp
Tyr Val Ile 225 Ala Ala	Ala Asp 210 Lys Ala Trp	Phe 195 Asn Asn Phe Ser Thr 275 Gly	Lys Ala Lys Asn Asn 260 Phe	Tyr Gly His Lys 245 Ile	Glu Ala Met 230 Gly Asp	Asn Lys 215 Asn Glu Thr	Gly 200 Ala Ala Thr Ser Pro 280 Ser	Lys Gly Asp Ala Lys 265 Ser	Tyr Leu Thr Met 250 Val	Asp Thr Asp 235 Thr Asn	Ile Phe 220 Tyr Ile Tyr	Lys 205 Leu Ser Asn Gly Val 285 Leu	Asp Val Ile Gly Val 270 Gly	Val Asp Ala Pro 255 Thr	Gly Leu Glu 240 Trp Val

Figuro 14 (continued)

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Leu Ala Lys Asp Pro Arg Ile Ala Ala Thr Met Glu Asn Ala Gln Lys 340 345

Gly Glu Ile Met Pro Asn Ile Pro Gln Met Ser Ala Phe Trp Tyr Ala 355 360 365

Val Arg Thr Ala Val Ile Asn Ala Ser Gly Arg Gln Thr Val Asp 370 380

Glu Ala Leu Lys Asp Ala Gln Thr Arg Ile Thr Lys Val Pro Thr Leu 385 390 395 400

Thr Gly Ile Leu Val Asn Gly Gln Asn Phe Ala Thr Asp Lys Gly Phe 405 410 415

Pro Lys Thr Ile Phe Lys Asn Ala Thr Phe Gln Leu Gln Met Asp Asn 420 425 430

Asp Val Ala Asn Asn Thr Gln Tyr Glu Trp Ser Ser Ser Phe Thr Pro 435 440 445

Asn Val Ser Val Asn Asp Gln Gly Gln Val Thr Ile Thr Tyr Gln Thr 450 455 460

Tyr Ser Glu Val Ala Val Thr Ala Lys Ser Lys Lys Phe Pro Ser Tyr 465 470 475 480

Ser Val Ser Tyr Arg Phe Tyr Pro Asn Arg Trp Ile Tyr Asp Gly Gly
485 490 495

Arg Ser Leu Val Ser Ser Leu Glu Ala Ser Arg Gln Cys Gln Gly Ser 500 505 510

Asp Met Ser Ala Val Leu Glu Ser Ser Arg 'Ala Thr Asn Gly Thr Arg 515 520 525

Ala Pro Asp Gly Thr Leu Trp Gly Glu Trp Gly Ser Leu Thr Ala Tyr 530 540

Ser Ser Asp Trp Gln Ser Gly Glu Tyr Trp Val Lys Lys Thr Ser Thr 545 550 555 560

Asp Phe Glu Thr Met Asn Met Asp Thr Gly Ala Leu Gln Pro Gly Pro 565 570 575

Ala Tyr Leu Ala Phe Pro Leu Cys Ala Leu Ser Ile 580 585

Figure 15

MBP-AIL Fusion Protein

Met	Lys	Ile	Lys	Thr	Gly	Ala	Arg	Ile	Leu	Ala	Leu	Ser	Ala	Leu	Thr
1				5					10					15	
Thr	Met	Met	Phe 20	Ser	Ala	Ser	Ala	Leu 25	Ala	Lys	Ile	Glu	Glu 30	Gly	Lys
Leu	Val	Ile 35	Trp	Ile	Asn	Gly	Asp 40	Lys	Gly	Tyr	Asn	Gly 45	Leu	Ala	Glu
Val	Gly 50	Lys	Lys	Phe	Glu	Lys 55	Asp	Thr	Gly	Ile	Lys 60	Val	Thr	Val	Glu
His 65	Pro	Asp	Lys	Leu	Glu 70	Glu	Lys	Phe	Pro	Gln 75	Val	Ala	Ala	Thr	Gly 80
Asp	Gly	Pro	Asp	Ile 85	Ile	Phe	Trp	Ala	His 90	Asp	Arg	Phe	Gly	Gly 95	Tyr
Ala	Gln	Ser	Gly 100	Leu	Leu	Ala	Glu	Ile 105	Thr	Pro	Asp	Lys	Ala 110	Phé	Gln
Asp	Lys	Leu 115	Tyr	Pro	Phe	Thr	Trp 120	Asp	Ala	Val	Arg	Tyr 125	Asn	Gly	Lys
Leu	Ile 130	Ala	Tyr	Pro	Ile	Ala 135	Val	Glu	Ala	Leu	Ser 140	Leu	Ile	Tyr	Asn
Lys 145	Asp	Leu	Leu	Pro	Asn 150	Pro	Pro	Lys	Thr	Trp 155	Glu	Glu	Ile	Pro	Ala 160
Leu	Asp	Lys	Glu	Leu 165	Lys	Ala	Lys	Gly	Lys 170	Ser	Ala	Leu	Met	Phe 175	Asn
Leu	Gln	Glu	Pro 180	Tyr	Phe	Thr	Trp	Pro 185	Leu	Ile	Ala	Ala	Asp 190	Gly	Gly
Tyr	Ala	Phe 195	Lys	Tyr	Glu	Asn	Gly 200	Lys	Tyr	Asp	Ile	Lys 205	Asp	Val	Gly
Val	Asp 210	Asn	Ala	Gly	Ala	Lys 215	Ala	Gly	Leu	Thr	Phe 220	Leu	Val	Asp	Leu
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Ala	Ala	Phe	Asn	Lys 245		Glu	Thr	Ala	Met 250	Thr	Ile	neA	Gly	Pro 255	Trp
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Leu	Pro	Thr 275		Lys	Gly	Gln	Pro 280	Ser	Lys	Pro	Phe	Val 285	Gly	Val	Leu
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Figuro 15 (continued)

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Gly Ser Ile Glu Gly Arg Ala Ser Val Asn Val Tyr Ala Ala Ser Glu 405 410 415

Ser Ser Ile Ser Ile Gly Tyr Ala Gln Ser His Val Lys Glu Asn Gly 420 425 430

Tyr Thr Leu Asp Asn Asp Pro Lys Gly Phe Asn Leu Lys Tyr Arg Tyr 435 440 445

Glu Leu Asp Asp Asn Trp Gly Val Ile Gly Ser Phe Ala Tyr Thr His 450 455 460

Gln Gly Tyr Asp Phe Phe Tyr Gly Ser Asn Lys Phe Gly His Gly Asp 465 470 475

Val Asp Tyr Tyr Ser Val Thr Met Gly Pro Ser Phe Arg Ile Asn Glu 485 490 495

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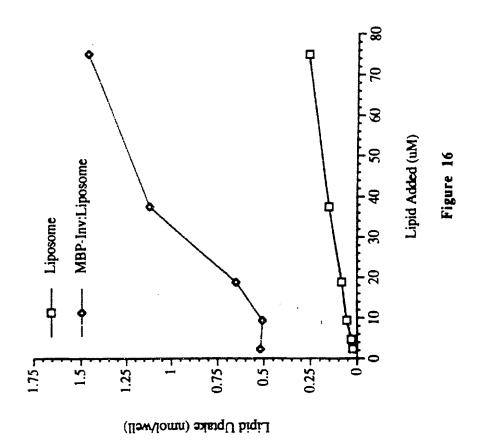
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